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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/841,000
Filing Date: April 24, 2001
Inventors: de Rouffignac et al.
Title: IN SITU THERMAL
PROCESSING OF A
HYDROCARBON
CONTAINING FORMATION
TO INCREASE A
PERMEABILITY OF THE
FORMATION

§ Examiner: G.A. Suchfield
§ Group/Art Unit: 3672
§ Atty. Dkt. No.: 5659-02400/EBM
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Amendment

Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2201, 2240, and 5406 without prejudice.

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